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Re: Applicant(s): Carranza, Jose R.; et. al.  
 Assignee: Cardica, Inc.  
 Title: System for Preparing a Graft Vessel for Anastomosis  
 Serial No.: 10/055,179  
 Examiner: Jessica R. Baxter  
 Docket No.: 102  
 Filed: January 23, 2002  
 Group Art Unit: 3731

Dear Examiner Baxter:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Amendment After Final.

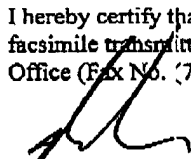
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL****OFFICIAL****INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is in response to the Office Action of July 2, 2004.